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Applicant respectfully requests a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action of May 19, 2003 and Notice of Appeal filed November 18, 2003, thereby resetting the response date to February 18, 2004. The extension fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1145, Order No. 3517-45.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-1145, Order No. 4295-6.

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